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NRC UNVEILS NEW EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND INCIDENT RESPONSE WEB PAGE

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission unveiled today a new Web page that highlights the agency's emergency preparedness and incident response activities, and makes information easily accessible on such topics as how the public should prepare for, and react to, a radiological emergency.

"Emergency preparedness and incident response are tightly connected and work together to protect public health and safety," said NRC Chairman Nils J. Diaz. "This new Web page helps communicate this integration and our commitment to keep the public well informed of steps they can and should take in the case of a radiological emergency."

The new site includes information on evacuation and sheltering, emergency classification, federal, state and local responsibilities during a radiological emergency, and the NRC's enhanced Operations Center. Highlighted on the site is information about nuclear plants' response to terrorism, emergency exercises, the use of potassium iodide, response to "dirty bombs," and research and test reactor preparedness. The site is located at http://www.nrc.gov/what-we-do/emerg-preparedness.html.

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